



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

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Local Coordinating Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

8:00 a.m.

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
Cook County Conference Room
233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Members Present:

Rita Athas (CMAP Board-Chicago), Mike Davidson (Human and Community Development committee), Nancy Firfer (Housing committee), Jennifer Killen (Transportation committee), Lisa Laws (CMAP Board-Chicago), Judith Kossy (Economic Development committee), Rick Reinbold (CMAP Board-south Cook County), William Rodeghier (CMAP Board-west Cook County), Carolyn Schofield (CMAP Board-McHenry County), Peter Skosey (CMAP Board-Chicago), Mark VanKerkhoff (Land Use committee)

Members Absent:

Franco Coladipietro (CMAP Board-DuPage County), Sean Wiedel (Environment and Natural Resources committee)

Staff Present:

Bob Dean, Jason Navota, Joe Szabo

Others Present:

Kristen Andersen-Metra, Jackie Forbes-KKCOM, Patrick Knapp-KKCOM

1.0 Call to Order

Rita Athas, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., and members were asked to introduce themselves.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of the Minutes-May 13, 2015

On a motion by William Rodeghier and a second by Lisa Laws, the minutes were approved with no changes.

4.0 Introduction of New Committee Members

Peter Skosey, who recently joined CMAP's Board representing the City of Chicago, introduced himself and described his background.

5.0 Project Selection Recommendations

Bob Dean informed the committee that 22 new projects were recommended to be added to the LTA program, out of more than 70 applications submitted. He referred committee members to the project selection memo included in the materials. Rita Athas noted that the project selection is consistent with the committee's past discussion of priorities, and Mark VanKerkhoff noted that CMAP staff continue to meet with County representatives and other partners to review applications. Mike Davidson asked whether the scope for the south Cook County comprehensive growth plan was fully developed, and Mr. Dean explained that CMAP was conducting one portion of this much larger project, in partnership with Cook County, the Civic Consulting Alliance, and other groups. Peter Skosey suggested that CMAP conduct additional outreach to Kendall County next year to encourage additional applications, since none from that County were submitted this year.

On a motion by Mr. Skosey and a second by Judith Kossy, the committee unanimously recommended that the new project selection be approved by the Board.

6.0 LTA Project Example: Lower Fox River Partnering Initiative

Louise Yeung, Associate Planner with CMAP, and Bart Olson, City Administrator of Yorkville, described the Lower Fox River Partnering Initiative. This recently-completed LTA project addressed multijurisdictional service sharing in the municipalities of Oswego, Montgomery, and Yorkville.

Committee members asked several questions about coordination of specific services, including human resources, zoning and building code enforcement, and procurement. Ms. Yeung and Mr. Olson explained the communities' coordination on each of these issues.

Peter Skosey and Mike Davidson asked about the factors that led to successful collaboration, and whether adjacency was a requirement. Mr. Olson responded that personal connections and similar political climates at each community made the collaboration possible, but physical proximity was less of a necessity. Rita Athas and Jennifer Killen asked about the largest impediments to collaboration, and Mr. Olson stated that some community members feared changes to popular services and loss of a sense of community, while some staff feared eventual layoffs.

Mr. Davidson asked whether similar service sharing efforts in other parts of the region had been models, and Ms. Yeung responded that the process had involved many interviews with other communities, as well as significant involvement from Glenview, one of the leaders in shared services. Nancy Firfer added that service sharing in Glenview had not led to any layoffs or changes to visible services, which contributed to its success.

Carolyn Schofield suggested that a guidebook to assist other communities with service sharing would be useful, as many communities are interested in sharing services. The committee agreed, noting that this could help to spur innovation among interested communities. Ms. Yeung noted that the Transform Illinois initiative could provide a central place for information sharing, and Mr. Skosey added that this group was hosting an even on November 2 to share examples of collaboration in local government.

7.0 LTA Program Update

Mr. Dean noted that a full list of ongoing LTA projects was contained in the meeting materials. There were no comments or questions on these.

8.0 Other Business

There was no other business before the Local Coordinating Committee.

9.0 Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

10.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Local Coordinating Committee is scheduled for February 10, 2016.

11.0 Adjournment

At 9:00 a.m., on a motion by Peter Skosey and a second by William Rodeghier, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Skosey', written in a cursive style.

Approved as presented by unanimous vote, February 10, 2016